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## RECENT ACTIVITY IN YUGOSLAV SHIPPING INDUSTRY

## New Marine Machinery Produced

The production of hand anchor winches, steam winches for 5-ton cranes for larger ships, motor and electrical winches, and smaller steam winches for coastal vessels began during the first half of the Five-Year Plan. Hand-operated cable and chain steering devices for smaller ships are new products. The construction of single manual steering apparatus in 1947 and mass production began in 1948. In May 1949, the first hydraulic hand rudder was built, and at present a motor-driven hydraulic rudder for larger merchant ships is being built.

The mass production of manual air compressors for the engines of small ships, as well as the construction of motor cranes for motor-sail vessels, also began in 1948. The production of complex winches for deep-sea fishing, some of which have already been installed in fishing boats, has begun. The first series of 5-ton winches will be produced at the end of 1949. Marine electrical fittings, switch boards, and locks are also being produced.

The production of small Diesel engines began about the end of 1946. The industry is also producing larger Diesel engines of Yugoslav construction.

The first series of steam boilers for ships working on harbor repair or construction will be finished within a few days.

### Several Ships Salvaged

The motor ship Locchi, built in 1918, has been salvaged by the "Brodospas" Enterprise in Rijeka. It will be scrapped and will supply 1,500 tons of iron.

The cargo steamer Mercurio has been salvaged in Porec harbor. It has a capacity of 1,979 gross register tons and is 80 meters long, 13 meters wide, and 6 meters high. Sunk in August 1944, it carried 1,200 tons of bauxite.

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The cargo steamer Marco has been salvaged in Poljud harbor at Split. It has a capacity of 1,487 gross register tons. It is 78 meters long, 12 meters wide, and 6 meters high. The Marco was sunk by Allied aircraft in November 1943. It was carrying 1,000 tons of chrome ore. Salvaging began in mid-March 1949. Built in 1901, the Marco will now be scrapped and will supply about 1,000 tons of iron.

#### New Vessels Launched

The motor ship Sarajevo, built by local labor and of Yugoslav materials, was launched on 11 July at the "Treci Maj" Shipyard in Rijeka. The same type as the Zagreb and the Skoplje, has a capacity of 3,100 gross register tons. Its displacement is 6,100 tons. The Sarajevo is 101.3 meters long, 14 meters wide, and has a draft of 6.6 meters and a speed of 12.5 knots. Its Diesel engine develops 2,300 horsepower. It will be put into operation at the end of 1949.

The "Tito" Shipyard at Kraljevica has built and launched the tugboat Trstenik, its first vessel since the end of the war. The workers have pledged that it will be ready for service in 2 months.

The "Vicko Krstulovic" Shipyard has reconstructed the SS Budva, which will soon carry passengers in the central Adriatic.

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